

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (cancelled)**
- 2. (cancelled)**
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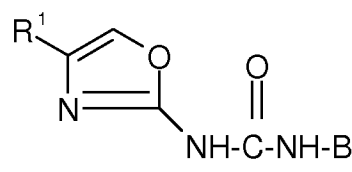
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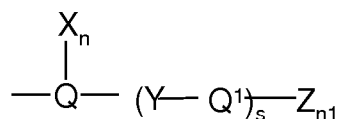
43. (cancelled)

44. (cancelled)

45. (Currently amended) A method as in claim 38, for the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis,
comprising administering a compound of the formula



wherein R¹ is t-butyl and wherein B is of the formula



Q is phenyl or pyridinyl, optionally substituted by halogen up to per-halosubstitution, Q¹

is pyridinyl, phenyl or benzothiazolyl optionally substituted by halogen up to per-halosubstitution, Y is -O-, -S-, -C(O)- or -CH₂-, X is C₁-C₄ alkyl or up to per-halosubstituted C₁-C₄ alkyl and Z is ~~as defined in claim 1~~ selected from the group consisting of -CN, -CO₂R⁵, -C(O)NR⁵R^{5'}, -C(O)-NR⁵, -NO₂, =O, -OR⁵, -SR⁵, -NR⁵R^{5'}, -C(O)R⁵, -SO₂R⁵, -SO₂NR⁵R^{5'}, -NR⁵C(O)OR^{5'}, -NR⁵C(O)R^{5'}, C₁-C₁₀ alkyl, and C₁-C₁₀ alkoxy.

46. (cancelled)

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58. (Currently amended) A method for the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis comprising administering to a patient in need thereof a pharmaceutically effective amount of a compound of the formula

